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The reply filed on 1/23/02 is not fully responsive to the prior Office action because of the following omission(s) or matter(s): The election of species requirement has not been addressed. See 37 CFR 1.111. Since the above-mentioned reply appears to be *bona fide*, applicant is given a TIME PERIOD of **ONE (1) MONTH or THIRTY (30) DAYS** from the mailing date of this notice, whichever is longer, within which to supply the omission or correction in order to avoid abandonment. EXTENSIONS OF THIS TIME PERIOD MAY BE GRANTED UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a).

Applicants are required to elect one of the functions of the compounds listed. Further, ~~the~~ a peptidyl aldehyde~~is~~ is an issue previously address in 09/113,947 and this application is also directed to bone formation with some of the same compounds presently claimed. There are misspelled words in the pending claims, see ~~the~~ pentoxyfilline~~is~~, and claims 1, 5-7, 19-23 have been elected in view of the restriction requirement. Two IDS's have been submitted in this application but many of those cited references are not found in this file.

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